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- 1. Graduate engineer (Dipl. Ing.) Rolf Engel worked in the field of rockets and guided missiles at Peeneminde during World War II. After the war he worked with other German rocket specialists for the French S.K.E.C.M.A. organisation. Subsequently he went to Egypt to work with other Germans on the development of rockets of the "Veronica" type. In mid-1961, during a visit to Germany, Engel was approached by unidentified Israeli agents and advised to discontinue his work in Egypt because the continued rocket production in the UAR would result in an armed conflict with Israel. Engel thereupon cabled his wife in Cairo to join him in West Germany immediately. The Engels did not return to Egypt, and left all their possessions there.
- As of early 1963 Engel was engaged in development work on the "Cobra" antitank rocket, a joint project of Ludwig Bölkow K.G., Munich, and Contraves A.G., Zurich.

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